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Regarding the upcoming Lehman review of the impacts and incremental costs of the RSVP project, BNL needs to provide a written response by Wednesday, January 12, 2004 addressing the November 24, 2003 charge letter to Daniel Lehman. This written response will be reviewed and evaluated by the review committee during the review scheduled for January 27 and January 28. All supporting documentation should also be available by January 12, including the MECO and KOPIO management plans, documents that identify all resources (costs, funding, and manpower) required to support MECO and KOPIO, and a decommissioning and disposal (D&D) analysis of the work that will need to be accomplished at the completion of the RSVP program. Because NSF is also considering sponsorship of the continuation of AGS experiment E949 under equivalent administrative conditions, we intend to consider the RHIC program impacts of this experiment in the same review, using the same tools. We, therefore, ask that the equivalent E949 documents be made available to the committee.

The response should cover the RSVP project and operations program which includes the experiments KOPIO, MECO, and E949. In addition, the response should include a spreadsheet that captures all of the relative incremental yearly costs associated with the life-cycle cost of the RSVP project and the AGS. These incremental costs should include appropriate items associated with commissioning, operating, maintenance, capital reinvestment, waste disposal, and final disposition (D&D). As per the draft MOU between DOE and NSF, the cost to decommission, decontaminate, and deconstruct this project will be assessed in yearly amounts over the length of the planned operation, with funds placed in a suitable escrow account.

If you have any questions, please contact Stephen Steadman or Jim Hawkins within my office.

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